

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) A database server accessible to/from a client via a network, comprising:

reception and transmission means for sending/receiving data to/from the client;

data storage means having a client data storage region which stores client data corresponding to the client;

client data management means for managing the client data;

information collection condition set means for setting, when the client data is modified, an information collection condition for specifying such information data as to be required by the client in future based on the modification; and

information data creation means for creating the information data by a search performed according to the information collection condition.

2. (Original) The database server set forth in claim 1, wherein:

the client is informed of the creation of the information data.

3. (Original) The database server set forth in claim 1, wherein:

the client is informed of the information collection condition.

4. (Original) The database server set forth in claim 1, wherein:

the information collection condition set means is actuated upon access to/from the client.

5. (Original) The database server set forth in claim 1, wherein:

the information collection condition set means modifies the information collection condition based on client's instructions.

6. (Original) The database server set forth in claim 1, wherein:

the information collection condition set means sets the information collection condition with reference to a keyword table which corresponds to an attribute of the client data.

7. (Original) The database server set forth in claim 1, wherein:

the information collection condition set means sets the information collection condition based on a network address which corresponds to an attribute of the modified client data.

8. (Original) The database server set forth in claim 1, wherein:

the information collection condition set means sets the information collection condition by using a record of information data collection performed in the past.

9. (Original) The database server set forth in claim 1, wherein:

the information data creation means searches the data storage means.

10. (Original) The database server set forth in claim 1, wherein:

the information data creation means stores in the data storage means the created information data in association with the client data.

11. (Original) The database server set forth in claim 1, wherein:

the information data creation means causes the created information data to include presentation format control data which controls a format in which the client data is presented by the client.

12. (Original) The database server set forth in Claim 1, wherein:

the client data management means modifies the client data based on an instruction given from a different server capable of accessing the network.

13. (Original) The database server set forth in claim 1, wherein:

the information collection condition set means sets the information collection condition by using separate client information.

14. (Original) The database server set forth in claim 13, wherein:

the separate client information includes information on use status of the information data created by the information creation means in the past.

15. (Original) A database server accessible to/from a client via a network, comprising:

reception and transmission means for sending/receiving data to/from the client;

data storage means having a client data storage region which stores client data corresponding to the client;

information collection condition set means for detecting a data modification in the client

data storage region and setting an information collection condition for specifying such information data as to be required by the client in future based on results of the detection; and

information data creation means for creating the information data by a search performed according to the information collection condition.

16. (Original) A server-executable information management program, comprising the steps of:

detecting a modification in such client data corresponding to each client that is under management of the server;

setting an information collection condition for specifying such information data as to be required by the client in future based on the modification; and

creating the information data by a search performed according to the information collection condition.

17. (Original) A computer-readable recording medium in which the information management program of claim 16 is recorded.

18. (Original) An information management method which allows a server to manage information corresponding to each client, comprising the steps of:

detecting a data modification in a client data storage region, the client data corresponding to each client;

setting an information collection condition for specifying such information data as to be

required by the client in future based on the data modification thus detected; and

creating the information data by a search performed according to the information collection condition thus set.

19. (Previously presented) A method of collecting information comprising the steps of:

- storing client data;
- setting an information collection condition;
- collecting information based on the information collection condition;
- detecting a modification of the client data;
- automatically changing the information collection condition based on the detected modification; and
- collecting information based on the changed information collection condition.

20. (Previously presented) A database server accessible by a client via a network, comprising:

- reception and transmission means for sending/receiving data to/from the client;
- data storage means for storing client data corresponding to the client;
- client data management means for managing the client data;
- information collection condition set means for detecting a modification to the client data and, when a modification to the client data is detected, automatically setting an information collection condition for specifying such information data as to be required by the client in future based on the modification; and

information data creation means for creating the information data by a search performed according to the information collection condition.

21. (Previously presented) The database server as set forth in claim 1, wherein the information collection condition set means sets the information collection condition automatically upon modification of the client data.

22. (Previously presented) The database server as set forth in claim 1, wherein the information collection condition set means sets the information collection condition based on schedule data contained in the client data.

23. (Previously presented) The database server as set forth in claim 1, wherein the information collection condition set means sets the information collection condition based on position information stored in the client data.

24. (New) A method of collecting information comprising the steps of:
storing client data;
defining a search condition for retrieving information related to at least one of the stored client data;
inputting the search condition to a search engine;
performing a search with the search engine to locate information related to the at least one stored client data;

detecting a modification of the client data;
automatically defining a new search condition for retrieving information related to the detected modification;
inputting the new search condition to the search engine to locate information related to the modified client data; and
performing a search with the search engine to locate information related to the modified client data.

25. (New) The method of claim 24 wherein said step of defining a search condition for retrieving information for retrieving information related to the stored client data comprises the step of defining a search condition for retrieving information related to and not specified by the stored client data.

26. (New) The method of claim 24 wherein said at least one client data does not comprise a URL.